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### THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

**NATIONAL.**  
For President—Charles Evans Hughes of New York.  
For Vice President—Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana.  
U. S. Senator—Howard Sutherland of Randolph.  
Congress, First District—Thos. W. Fleming, Fairmont.

**JUDICIAL.**  
W. N. Miller, Parkersburg. Harold A. Ritz, Bluefield.

**STATE.**  
Governor—Ira E. Robinson of Taylor.  
Secretary of State—Houston G. Young, of Harrison.  
Superintendent of Schools—Morris P. Shawkey of Kanawha.  
Auditor—John S. Darst of Jackson.  
Treasurer—William S. Johnson of Fayette.  
Attorney General—E. T. England of Logan.  
Commissioner of Agriculture—James H. Stewart of Putnam.  
State Senator, Eleventh District—Charles A. Sinsel, Taylor County.

**COUNTY.**  
Sheriff—W. H. Veach, Farmington.  
Assessor—W. S. Hamilton, Fairmont.  
Prosecuting Attorney—Rollo J. Conley, Fairmont.  
County Commissioner—W. P. Mason, Mannington.  
House Delegates—Geo. W. Bowers, Mannington.  
Walter, Elison, Fairmont.  
B. S. Hutchinson, Union district.  
Co. Surveyor—Thos. E. Minnear, Annabelle, Lincoln Dist.

MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 2, 1916.  
"America First and America Efficient"

### September Circulation

The circulation of The West Virginian for the month of September, 1916, was as follows:

1.....5,400	16.....5,680
2.....5,420	17.....Sunday
3.....Sunday	18.....5,390
4.....5,490	19.....5,395
5.....5,395	20.....5,400
6.....5,390	21.....5,397
7.....5,390	22.....5,392
8.....5,397	23.....5,420
9.....5,400	24.....Sunday
10.....Sunday	25.....5,410
11.....5,420	26.....5,400
12.....5,415	27.....5,395
13.....5,390	28.....5,389
14.....5,400	29.....5,420
15.....5,393	30.....5,396

Total for 26 days .....140,784

Daily Average for September 5,414 Copies

Daily Average for August .5,446 Copies

Practically all of this circulation went into Fairmont and Marion County homes, the natural field for the Fairmont merchant.

### START A MORALS MOVEMENT.

So far the Democratic spokesmen have not had a word to say in reply to the charges of extravagance and worse in the management of the affairs of Marion county. Doubtless this significant silence on the part of those who opened the campaign with a series of attacks upon the Republican party because of alleged extravagance on the part of the administration at Charleston amounts to confession.

But serious though this waste of the public funds is, it is by no means the worst feature of Democratic control here. When taxes are thrown away, or diverted into the pockets of favorites of the powers that be, no one suffers except in pocket. And while some of the taxpayers feel the pressure cruelly in these times of Democratic prosperity in which the cost of living is going up by leaps and bounds, they will survive it and in time recover. It is a very great pity that as much cannot be said for the victims of the moral delinquency of the dominant political party.

In his passionate protest at the first anti-bootlegging mass meeting the pastor of the colored Methodist church of Fairmont charged that his people were being debauched deliberately, and that the authorities knew it. It was the truth, and not only the authorities, but every man who is at all acquainted with conditions in this community knows it is, and why. They know that it has occurred at every important election in recent years and, if they think at all about it, they have made up their minds that it will be continued until public opinion rises in its might and puts an end to it.

Why public opinion has not asserted itself before this is beyond the ken of this newspaper. We are just as much at a loss to understand why the men who control the Democratic party in the county

believe that it is necessary to do the things they do. It is stupid politics any way it is considered, as they will find out to their everlasting sorrow some day. If the money they are spending on their colonizing schemes, which among other things reduces white men who ought to be leaders in the community to the position of lackeys and waiters to a bunch of law defying blacks, were spent on scientific political organization it would be better for their party in the end. Even in defeat under such circumstances they would be strong enough to compel respect for their legitimate interests. But if they go down under existing conditions they will go down all along the line and to stay for a long while.

In the interest of a better moral atmosphere for the city and county and to save the colored residents from themselves and the temptations that a bunch of small fry politicians are constantly placing before them the good people of the county ought to make it their business to see that they do go down and out until they learn to do better. The defeat of the local Democratic ring would not involve in the slightest the fortunes of the state and national tickets if it were taken up as a local movement in the interest of the home and the children who will have to grow up here in the next dozen or fifteen years.

### FEELING FINE, THANK YOU.

Governor HUGHES was reported to be pretty tired at the conclusion on Saturday of his second great swing around the circle. This is but natural. Colonel Roosevelt or William Jennings Bryan might make 20,000 miles talking eight, ten and twelve times a day and come up smiling at the end of the ordeal, but the average barker for a circus sideshow, leather lunged and travel hardened though he might be, probably would know he had been going some if he were to try to duplicate the Hughes performance. And Mr. Hughes plunged into this sort of thing right after several years of the seclusion and quiet which the atmosphere of the supreme court affords.

But in spite of the physical strain there are compensations, and it is safe to venture the guess that Mr. Hughes is not very low in his mind as a result of the strain. All the newspaper polls, including that of the New York Herald, which has a fine record for accuracy, continue to give him the lead in the great presidential race and the betting odds continue to be strongly in his favor. In Ohio and in several other states visited on the second tour the indications are that the governor greatly strengthened his cause by his speeches. So, all in all, he probably is feeling pretty comfortable in his mind. That is the way his friends feel at all events.

### CHEAP ALCOHOL FUEL.

DURING the years that the legislation which permits the manufacture of denatured alcohol tax free was pending in Congress some very extravagant claims were made by the advocates of the measure. It was said, for instance, that it would be freely used as an illuminant and as fuel for the production of power on a small scale. In Germany where great quantities of alcohol for industrial uses was produced and consumed each year it really was a success from a commercial standpoint and these claims looked so plausible that the measure passed in the face of vigorous opposition on the part of the oil interests.

Then denatured alcohol practically dropped out of sight. On the rare occasions when it did turn up in the newspapers it was usually the butt of a joke. The people who expected that the passage of the legislation would work an industrial revolution all but admitted that the whole movement in its favor was a huge mistake. Some of them contended that the conditions under which the manufacture was permitted were not favorable to limited operations, and that until a larger consumption had been worked up no one wanted to invest a large amount of capital in production on a large scale. But not much attention was paid to these views. The United States is not Germany, and most of us explained the failure of the denatured alcohol movement on that broad if somewhat indefinite basis.

But the high cost of gasoline is beginning to give new importance to the legislation and the regulations regarding the manufacture of alcohol for use in the arts and in industry. One whole session of the meeting of the American Chemical society which was held last week in New York was devoted to cheap alcohol, and it seemed to be the opinion of the experts who talked on the subject that the day when gasoline would give way to alcohol in many fields is near at hand.

Speed the day. The demand for gasoline is now so great that it cannot be filled, so the gasoline manufacturers will not be seriously injured, but the makers of gasoline engines that are so crude and imperfect that they fill the air of our cities with poisonous gas will be, and that will merely be retributive justice. As compared with gasoline alcohol is an ideal fuel. It burns without smoke and the odor it leaves is very volatile.

Favorite outdoor sport: Sighting the Bremen. Favorite indoor sport: Claiming Pennsylvania and Ohio for Wilson.

A newspaperwoman out in Montana, where the women vote, killed a prominent man politician the other day, and the report of the incident says the homicide was "the result of a long political fight." We hope friends will take the trouble to break this story, very gently to St. Paul's old friend, Colonel Conaway.

### SHORT AND SNAPPY.

Three Austrian archdukes have been relieved from high military commands, proving that possession of a title does not always make a man a good soldier.—Wheeling Register.

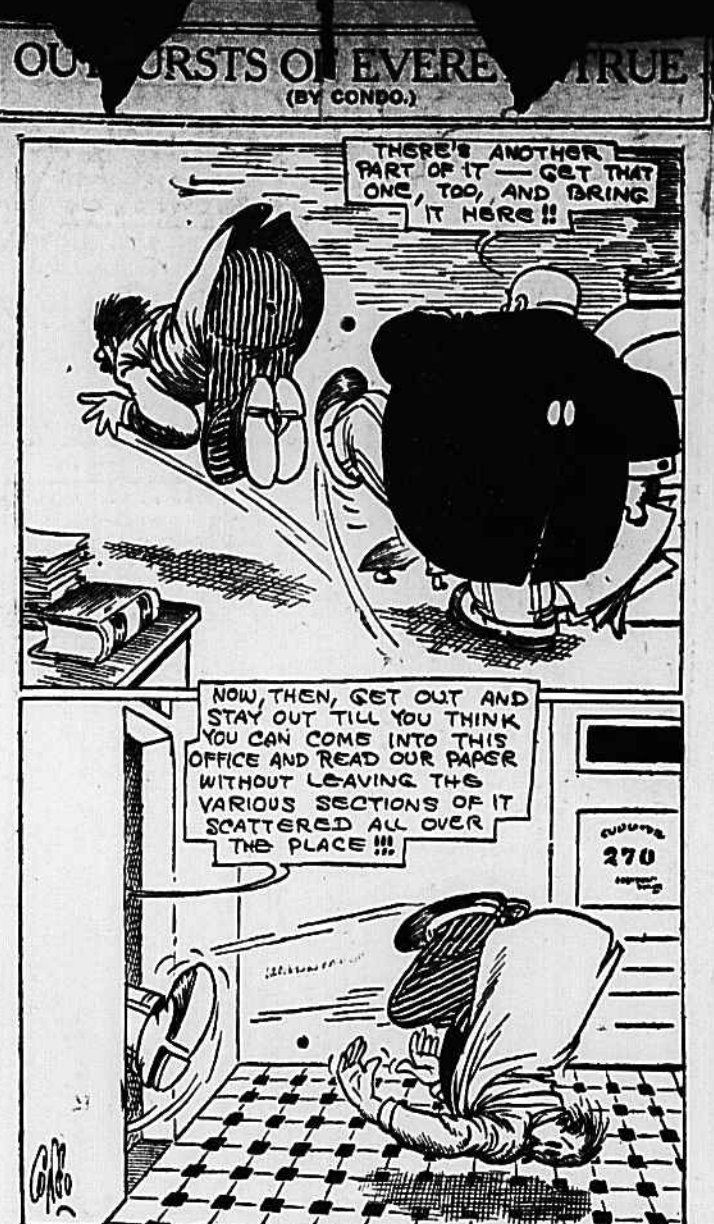
Great Britain's refusal to let false teeth go to Germany by parcel post is another example of Perfidious Albion's inconsistency. What harm could those teeth do, seeing that she's already cut off Germany's food supply?—Morgantown Post-Chronicle.

In West Virginia, also, the Democratic campaign is long on talk but will be short on votes.—Charleston Mail.

Let us give the movies credit for one thing. No longer can a fellow sigh that he's all dressed up and has no place to go.—Wheeling Telegraph.

One of the breeziest gayeties of the present campaign is to listen to Bill Chilton in the role of an expert debt payer—the Virginia debt and other debts.—Keyser Mountain Echo.

Who wants to be President Wilson's personal choice in a state election now, after reading those New Jersey returns?—Uniontown Evening Genius.



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**SAYS CONAWAY IS A DEFAMER.**  
NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—[Editor of West Virginian].—A correspondent makes a most astonishing and libelous statement in your paper. It seems impossible that any human being in this country could be so ill-informed as to write such slanderous untruth or that any reader would believe it. Yet, W. H. Conaway writes:

"The National Suffrage Association publishes and circulates obscene literature favoring easy and liberal laws too indecent to be read in the family circle."

This National Association has just held its 48th Annual convention in Atlantic City. The President of the United States came from Washington to address it. Hon. Raymond Robins, chairman of the Progressive convention in Chicago, and the Hon. Herbert Parsons, well-known Republican, were among the speakers. The Secretary of the Navy and Mr. Daniels Mr. J. S. Clarkson, once National chairman of the Republican party, and Mrs. Clarkson, five women club presidents, Mrs. Pennypacker, ex-President of the Federation of Women's clubs, Mrs. Borden Harriman of the Industrial Commission, Dr. Katharine B. Davis, whose life has been spent in combating the social evil, Miss Julia Lathrop of the National Children's Bureau and many others of equal distinction came to Atlantic City to attend the convention. The best and highest types of womanhood the nation has ever produced were there. This is a matter of recent press news which can be corroborated by consulting any daily newspaper of the first week of September. Would these people have given an association the honor of their presence if it was accustomed to print things unfit to read? The statement is a lie; a base unwarranted, infamous falsehood.

The women who are asking the vote are those who stand for the home with all its traditional sacredness, but who demand that the voice of the home be counted in the affairs of the state. The suffrage movement has never advocated "easy and liberal laws"; it has advocated purity and self control; it is a movement which binds women and human society to climb higher, not lower. It is a guarantor of better morals, not baser. Whoever says aught to the contrary not only tells a wanton untruth but damages the character of the best men and women this country has known for a quarter of a century.

CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT, President National American Woman Suffrage Association.

**THE CHURCHES ON SUFFRAGE.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 30.—[Editor The West Virginian].—A referendum of the ministers of four denominations concerning their belief for or against woman suffrage secured the following favorable record: Baptist, 7 to 1; Congregational, 8 to 1; Methodist, 10 to 1; and Presbyterian, 11 to 1. The Friends, the United Presbyterians, the Unitarians and many other churches have adopted resolutions favoring woman suffrage; these churches have decided that the golden rule is the safest foundation for a political superstructure, and soon or late, all churches will so decide.

Evolutionary forces are remarkable for the slowness with which results are produced, but progressive forces, however, slow, are never stationary, and cannot be entirely stopped; when an idea which cannot be stopped meets an opinion as preposterous as man's belief in the subjection of woman, whether the meeting place be in West Virginia or in the West Indies, the result is not difficult to foretell.

There is no reason why any church should oppose, and many reasons why all churches should favor securing political justice for women. The churches should be the rallying ground for all interests whose object is the uplift of humanity, the center from which should radiate the forces which tend to secure better human environment.

VIOLA KAUFMAN, 417 G St., Washington, D. C.

### RUFF STUFF

BY RED.

"Much interest manifested in Mingo." Only difference between Mingo and Fairmont is that both interest and discount figure in election here.

There was nothing said in the Times about Roosevelt's speech.

West Virginia University only lost 3 to 0. According to both lineups they should have won.

But then one can't tell anymore. There's the New York Giants the best ball team in the world but can't get the pennant.

Gass bills are creeping up daily.

Cartoonist buys an island and gets married.

Cartoonists know neighbors. And for those who wait for letters inviting them to vote at Pay Me in Marion county we might use the Rooseveltian phrases "hypocritical insincerity."

Woodrow Words says that there is no American Truth society. At least he is no member.

West Virginia Coal Operators get dig at Detroit. When anything in the rules or legislative line affect the coal operators of West Virginia something is generally done to some one.

Watch for the World's Series Electrical player board. Games start the same minute they do in the ball park.

And Tom Deveny will give everybody seats to the performance, which is free.

"Moving dancing school." That's the kind we want to go to.

Why is it that every paper drinking cup holder on every railroad train usually bears a sign "Out of Order?"

And how long has it been since you were able to get some one to answer a phone to find out what time trains leave?

Been a long time with us.

**RATIFY SCHOOL BOND.**  
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 2.—Charleston voters Saturday ratified the issuance of \$150,000 bonds for the purpose of constructing a high school building in West Charleston, and a school building in South Charleston. The vote was light but decisive, the total being 397 for and 9 against the issue.

Store closed at 5:30 instead of 5 beginning October 2 and continuing until further notice.

## E. E. Jones

FAIRMONT, W. VA.

### Women's New Fall Suits With Originality

Originality is the keynote of every suit we sell. We choose our models to please the woman who is particular in the matter of dress; who wants something "different" to separate her from the "crowd." You will find that our apparel is original in style and that we seldom purchase more than one garment of a size. And while original in style, the styles are "not freakish" but strictly authentic. That's why Jones' apparel can be recognized at a glance. They are original in style.

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### Distinctive N. Poplin Suits \$2

A snap and style that you seldom see in a suit at this price are featured in these models. From the handsome collars that are trimmed with fur to the fur-trimmed cuffs and pockets, it stands alone for class and beauty.

### Blanket Time

Are you prepared for the cool weather, are you supplied with warm, comfortable blankets? You'll appreciate a pair of soft, downy blankets these cool nights. We bought our blankets from one of the largest mills in the country, bought them in February and March before they had advanced in price and for that reason we can offer exceptional values.

**Standard Plaid Wool Finish Blankets \$2.98 pair**  
It would be hard to find a better looking blanket than this. Colors are pink or blue on white grounds.

**Novelty Plaid Wool Finish Blankets \$2.50 a pair**  
66x70 inches in size. Pink or blue combined with gray. soft, fleecy blanket—one that will wash nicely and wear for long time.

**Plain Woolen Blankets Bound With Silk \$5.50 and \$5.85.**  
Made from long, staple wool. Considering the market condition and the price of wool we are able to quote you a really low price on these blankets.

66x70 inch Blankets ..... \$5.50  
70x90 inch Blankets ..... \$5.85

### MANY ATTENDED HELMICK FUNERAL

The First M. P. church was crowded with friends and relatives yesterday afternoon when the funeral of Mrs. D. S. Helmick was held there. Rev. B. M. Mitchell conducted the services and he was assisted by Rev. L. E. Oldaker and Rev. Conaway of Shinnston, and Dr. J. C. Broomfield. Several selections were rendered by the choir. Mrs. Helmick was a member of the W. C. T. U. and both the Central and East Side Unions were largely represented at the services.

Burial was made in Maple Grove cemetery by Undertakers Carpenter and Ford. The pall bearers were nephews of the deceased: Guy Bonafield, Louis Helmick, H. P. Robinson, C. D. Robinson, J. L. Robinson and Guy Leonard.

Among the out-of-town people here for the funeral were W. J. Lazella, Cumberland; Rev. L. E. Oldaker and son, Joseph, and Rev. John Conaway, Shinnston; Mrs. A. J. Bonafield, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bonafield and daughter, Mrs. Walter Hart and son, Robert, I. R. Mattingly, of Tunnelton; Mrs. Ernest Hutton, Huttonsville; Mrs. S. R. Gooseman, Reedsville; P. B. and J. L. Robinson, Interstate; Fred Coburn, Mechanicsville, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Guskay and Miss Inez Wilkins, of Independence; S. C. Helmick, Clarksville; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Robinson,

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Soaps, brushes, sponges, everything for a luxurious quick plunge. Talcum to use with afterwards, lotions to down with if you wish.

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You ladies who give us the pleasure of fitting you out with new Fall Footwear will surely be delightfully shod. "How individual" your friends will be saying. "How becoming" your mirrors will say. "How Charming" you will say yourselves.

We picture here two popular models. One a low heel walking boot made in a variety of patterns in tan, black and grey. The other a Louis heel boot both lace and button. Made in black, brown and grey kid. Also tan, black and patent calfskin.

Prices \$3.50 to \$8.00.

## Shurtleff & Welton